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Supplemental Material

Ambient Temperature and the Risk of Preterm Birth in Guangzhou, China (2001–2011)

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humidity (during the corresponding day), long-term trend and seasonality, day of the week, and daily expected count of preterm births on the corresponding day. Lags represents single-day lags (lag 0, representing temperature on the same day of preterm birth, up to 27-day lag).